



"LO A
VOICE FROM
HEAVEN"



MATT. 28:19.

The Church of God Evangel



MARK 16:15

CLEVELAND, TENN.

GOD'S LOVE

WE SHALL KNOW

CHARLOTTE MURRAY

In wise proportion does a fond hand mingle
The sweet and bitter in our life-cup here;
Each drop of either is by love eternal
Poured forth in wisdom for His children dear.

The loving Father, as a wise physician,
Knows what the wants of all those children are;
Knows which is needed more—the joy or sorrow,
The peace of comfort, or affliction's war.

Then, should the bitter be our daily portion,
So that we cannot any sweet discern,
Let us, in childlike faith, receive with meekness
The needed tonic, and its lessons learn.

And if we cannot even that decipher,
Let us be still, nay, thank Him for His care,
Contented that we soon shall know—hereafter—
When we the fullness of His presence share.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

December 13, 1941

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith," 1 John 5:4.

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**YOUR EVANGELISTIC PLEDGES
THIS WEEK
December 4, 1941**

State	Laymen	Ministers	Total
Alabama	1300	90	1390
Arkansas	172	21	193
Arizona	87	2	89
Nebraska	5		5
California	137	18	155
Colorado	1	3	4
N. Mexico	49	19	68
New Jersey	39	7	46
Maryland	147	21	168
Dist. of Columbia	16		16
Florida	716	103	819
Georgia	1288	97	1385
Washington	9	2	11
Illinois	672	41	713
Indiana	81	15	96
Iowa	52	12	64
Idaho	6	2	8
Kansas	135	9	144
Kentucky	489	53	542
Louisiana	116	33	149
Maine	48	12	60
Michigan	174	19	193
Mississippi	393	50	443
Missouri	150	24	174
Minnesota	11	7	18
Montana	36	2	38
N. Carolina	609	42	651
N. Dakota	68	5	73
S. Dakota	131	3	134
Ohio	649	17	666
Pennsylvania	193	19	212
S. Carolina	968	104	1072
Oklahoma	249	35	284
Tennessee	742	38	780
Texas	652	79	731
Virginia	589	40	629
W. Virginia	978	56	1034
Delaware	20	2	22
Wisconsin	3	1	4
Wyoming	4	2	6
Col. Work	106	26	132
Foreign Countries:			
Mexico		3	3
Jamaica		3	3
Canada	8	1	9
Bahamas		1	1

12,298 1,139 13,437

We are happy to announce that the pledges are continuing to come in. We had hoped to close the opportunity for sending them in on November 27, but since so many are still coming in, we are extending the closing date to the last of December. This will give all an opportunity to make the final drive to secure these pledges and mail them in so that each state may be credited with the proper number. Never before has there been a greater need for definite earnest and sincere prayer during this crisis. Let us join hands, hearts, and efforts in order to rescue many lost souls this year.

At the close of the drive the pledge

cards for those who have signed pledges will be mailed out.

Workers Together With Christ

SILVER POINT, Tenn.—I praise God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I belong to the Church of God. My husband and oldest daughter belong to the Freewill Baptist church and I praise the Lord that we can work together. The Baptists are having a revival and my daughter got saved. Pray that she will press on and get closer to the Lord and get sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We are going to try to start our Y. P. E. again and I want everyone to pray that it will be carried out to the glory of God and will be a blessing for both the young and old. Pray that my other daughter and five sons will be saved, also my stepdaughter and her husband and children, and my other stepdaughter's husband. She is a Christian, but her husband is not. Please help me pray.—Mrs. G. W. Dunn, Rt. 2.

Revival at Sheeptown, Va.

AUSTINVILLE, Va.—We have just closed a twenty-four nights' revival at the Church of God at Sheeptown with Rev. Paul S. Shoemaker in charge. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way throughout the meeting. There were seven saved,

five sanctified and six baptized with the Holy Ghost. The entire church at this place was definitely blessed by and during this meeting. Brother Shoemaker is an outstanding young evangelist and will prove himself to be a blessing to any church that might call him. He endeared himself by his unselfish ministry to all with whom he came in contact during this campaign. We covet an interest in the prayers of the Church everywhere in behalf of the Lord's work at this place. I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost during this meeting.—Miss Doris Porter.

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Government

By E. C. Clark

"And God has set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues," 1 Cor. 12:28.

GOVERNMENTS

The word being plural is evidence that government is divided to meet the many requirements of the Church. The word itself means a "method of steering or control."



An automobile, a sawmill, a railroad engineer or any other piece of machinery would be unsafe without some method of control. A citizenship of a city would be exposed to all the robbery and evils of the godless if it were not for the government administered by the city officials. How long would the United States be safe from foreign entanglements without a strongly fortified government?

THE CHURCH

Is not something existent in the form of every man to do as you please? It is placed under the care of certain divinely constituted officials, named *bishops* or *overseers*, and *deacons*. These are placed within the Church to control it, and to guide it within a divinely chosen course. Regardless of how spiritual members may be, regardless of how wise they may be, or even think themselves to be, they are all alike placed under the watch care of the elders. In Hebrews 13:7 we have an example where we are admonished to "remember them that have the rule over you." In 1 Timothy 5:17 we are told whom God has chosen to "have the rule over us."

"Let the elders that rule well be accounted worthy of double honor." The elders along with the deacons had the oversight of the congregations. We must also remember that "rulers are not a terror to good works." Romans 13:3. They do not hinder, but rather assist the continuance of good works. God has instituted government both for the church and state. He has, therefore, warned: "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God, and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For he is the minister of God to thee for good."

The purpose of civil and religious government is good, and God will call all men to give account for their disobedience unto those whom He has placed in authority, whether in church or state. Here in Romans 13:1-7 we have civil government and a warning "that if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain." God will hold men accountable unto civil authority.

If God instituted, and holds men answerable unto civil authority, He will much more hold men to obey spiritual authority in the Church.

PURPOSE

The purpose of government in the Church is to restrain the evil, and to promote good. If the Church is to retain its holiness and spiritual life, then two things must be controlled; i. e., what is preached, and the walk and conduct of both teacher and laymen.

If doctrines are perverted of their true meanings, then apostasy and sin will result. If sin is allowed by practice of conduct, then leaven of sin will affect the whole spiritual framework of the Church. False teachers were forbidden in the Church. After setting out the qualifications of the bishop, Paul warns: "There are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision. Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake." Titus 1:10, 11. The mouth of those who imperil the truth must be stopped. "For there are certain men crept in unawares." Jude 4. These men are called complainers, murderers, and classed as those who seek personal advantages. They are further called "mockers" who walk after their own lust. Jude 16-18.

Of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Acts 20:30. Grievous wolves are no exception, roving ministers without government and without subjection. These are spots in your feasts of charity when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear. Clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit twice dead, plucked up by the roots. Jude 12. Unfruitful workers place them as being insubordinate. These wreck the life and growth of churches, and must be restrained from ministerial authority and function, for the safety and well being of the Church.

CONSTITUTED CHURCH AUTHORITY

Church government, as we have seen, was set in the Church by the Lord Himself. They ordained elders in every church. Acts 14:23. They ordained elders in every city. Titus 1:5. These, as we have seen, were to rule and to have the oversight of the flock. Heb. 13:7; 1 Tim. 5:17; 1 Peter 5:1. They were to be men "apt to teach." 1 Tim. 3:2. This shows that they laid the doctrinal foundation in the local congregations of the early Church. They were to rule. They were directly responsible unto God for the teachings and conduct of the churches and also for individuals.

Therefore, Paul ordered, "Put away from among yourselves that wicked person." 1 Cor. 5:13. "Withdraw yourselves from every brother that worketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us." 2 Thess. 3:6. Here again we have evidence that the doctrine and rule of conduct was established by the elders. A disorderly or sinful person reacts injuriously to the whole church. "Purge out therefore the old leaven that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us." 1 Cor. 5:7.

In the event anyone would challenge the authority of the apostle who was an elder, he says: "Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life." 1 Cor. 6:3.

Those who despise government are those who are misguided by "filthy dreams" and who are defiled in the flesh; these being "filthy and defiled" speak evil of dominion and dignities. Jude 8. "But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities." 2 Peter 2:10.

Here again it is these who walk after the flesh, and uncleanness of it, and who by nature are "selfwilled," are not afraid to defame and disregard in an evil manner those who are God's dignitaries. Such endanger themselves to the extent of being destroyed as brute beasts. Verse 12.

It is not a hard thing to obey governments where men "honor all men" when we "love the brotherhood" and when we fear God. 1 Pet. 2:17. Our lack of love makes us disobedient to parents, to rulers and to our brethren. Therefore, we are asked to love the brotherhood and to be clothed with humility.

May God teach us the needed meekness to keep us under subjection to those whom God has set among us to have the rule and guidance of the Church.

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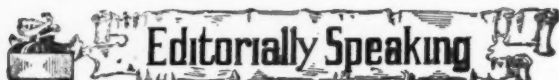
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BILL OF RIGHTS DAY

ON November 28 President Roosevelt, by proclamation, set aside December 15 as "Bill of Rights Day" to cherish the immeasurable privileges which the charter granted, and to "rededicate its principles and its practice." This date marks the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the first ten amendments to the constitution, which guaranteed freedom of religion, press, speech, and assembly, and a right to petition the government for redress of grievances.

The first Bill of Rights that we have record of is an important statute in English constitutional history, which was enacted in December, 1689. Its provisions were based upon the Declaration of Rights and delivered by the Lords and Commons to the prince and princess of Orange, who afterwards became William III and Mary. This was an act declaring the rights and liberties of the subjects, and it was adopted after reciting the unconstitutional proceedings of James II, who had, as his subjects thought, grossly intruded upon their rights and liberties. Article 9 of that bill guaranteed the freedom of speech and debates or proceedings of parliament without the fear of being impeached or questioned in any court or place out of parliament. Article 7 provided that the subjects which are Protestant may have arms for their defense suitable to their conditions and as allowed by law. This article showed that there was a lack of religious toleration but sought to offset it by the arming of one religious order to protect itself against the other. It was said that the Bill of Rights introduced no new principle into the English Constitution, but was merely a declaration of the law as it stood. It was, however, a thoroughgoing procedure in the establishment of a democracy and a great obstruction to the setting up of dictatorship. The Bill of Rights as an amendment to the English Constitution was therefore a great step toward later religious tolerance which has so abundantly blossomed in the democracies.

The American Bill of Rights, which will have its 150th birthday December 15, was the first ten amendments to the Constitution of the United States and was adopted in 1791. It has been said that the Constitution could not be ratified in the convention of nine states by all present until an agreement was made that such a bill of amendments guaranteeing the rights of all states and persons be allowed to be presented later.

But the constitution was ratified by the convention and the first ten amendments known as the Bill of Rights later added to it. But the people of our fair land, as in other countries, who are enjoying special privileges of liberty and freedom, have failed to acquaint themselves with or else have forgotten the great sacrifices which have brought us into the peaceful position which we now occupy. In the words of President Roosevelt, those who have long enjoyed the privileges which Americans enjoy forget that men have died to win them, take the rights for granted, and assume their protection is assured.

It is of great concern to us what shall be in the future and what shall happen to us relative to our freedom and liberty guaranteed by the Bill of Rights; but it is altogether fitting and proper that we reflect upon the great blessings which have been granted us and guaranteed to us by the Bill of Rights through the years that have passed and gone and upon which our present status stands. Let us open our eyes and review a few of the provisions which are guaranteed in the bill:

Amendment 1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

This is the first and perhaps the greatest amendment and without a knowledge of the others, contains sufficient grounds for a celebration of all liberty-loving people everywhere. Let us further quote from the proclamation of President Roosevelt:

"We, however, who have seen these privileges lost in other continents and other countries can now appreciate their meaning to those people who enjoyed them once and now no longer can. We understand in some measure what their loss can mean.

"And by that realization we have come to a clearer conception of their worth to us, and to a

stronger and more unalterable determination that here in our land they shall not be lost or weakened or curtailed."

It is especially fitting, Mr. Roosevelt asserted, that the anniversary be remembered by those institutions of a democratic people which owe their existence to the guarantees of the Bill of Rights—the free schools, free churches, the labor unions, and the organizations of all kinds which "sicken and disappear" in countries where rights are curtailed or withdrawn.

Yes, Mr. President, we are very glad to cooperate with you in the observance of a Bill of Rights Day, for we as Christians and as Church of God people have every reason to be thankful for the Bill of Rights and for that which it has provided for all peoples who like to be free in exercises of their God-given rights, and to grant all other people the same privilege, and this should be the objective of all democratic peoples, especially those of us who profess Christianity, for all of those who are so thankful for the sunlight of freedom and liberty in which they can bask so lavishly should certainly be tolerant of the rights of all others and allow them the same privileges to bask in the sunlight of the same freedom and liberty which has been so graciously provided for all races, creeds, and religions in that great document which we know as the Bill of Rights.

'Tis not the grapes of Canaan that repay,
But the high faith that failed not by the way.

—James Russell Lowell.

Concerning the Church

By R. P. Johnson
First Asst. General Overseer

(Continued)

Michigan

In the city of Detroit (the home of the world's greatest manufacturing enterprises) in the Church of God at East Detroit, the ministers met in solemn session with that feeling of responsibility and accountability which calls for their best, for only their best would satisfy those Michiganders, Church of God people.



No second-rate program or half-hearted, sickly, weak effort is worthy of the doctrine that they announce or honor to the faith they embrace. They know that it is no credit to their faith, neither will it glorify their Master, for them to assume as little obligation as possible, for the matters before them for consideration and approval point to progress, and it means that the load may be a bit heavy and the cost somewhat high; yet they shouldered their burden like Christians and were able to adjourn with that feeling which comes only to those who can say, "A helper I will be." The measures approved in that meeting will surely help to make the Church of God the outstanding, full gospel, soul-winning movement of the region of the Great Lakes. Brother E. O. Kerce, the overseer, and the other splendid ministers, as well as the laity, know how to make glad the heart of a visiting minister, and to stir his soul to the deepest depths. May God surprise them and shock their opposers with unexpected accomplishments. Now we go to

South Carolina

In the capital city we found Brother Cross and that company of Holy Ghost soldiers, who, by their unfailing love and constant collaboration, have grown with the little "palmetto state," until it has forged its way and now enjoys the "Class A" place in the "Class A" states. It is not the great schools and institutes of learning, the highways, railroads, tall buildings in the cities, or the hundreds of large factories scattered throughout the state that make South Carolina one of the banner states of the Southeast, but before there was a railway, a school building, a highway, office building, plant or factory, there were men of

vision, conviction, and courage, and from that kind of stuff God molded ministers whose past victories inspire us to believe in their future. Theirs was strictly a business meeting; in fact, every activity of the Church should be on a sound business basis, for did not Jesus Himself say, "I must be about my Father's business"? Yet He attended it in the power of the Spirit, and those South Carolinians realize as keenly as anyone else that their future progress depends on the guidance of the Holy Ghost. They believe in Him. They follow Him. They rejoice in His leadership.

In Florida

The land of flowers, the state from which so many valuable ideas and efforts have sprung up and gone forth, in the city of Tampa, a warm welcome was extended to us, and truly it can be said of this gathering as it was of Joseph, "The Lord was with them." When one makes such a statement, nothing more important could be said. Brother J. C. Jernigan, the state overseer, and the district overseers spent the first afternoon in arranging recommendations for the conference. There is proof that they must have been working for the best interest of the cause, for practically all of their propositions went through with but little modifications. It is indeed wonderful and is a source of real satisfaction to see the great number of ministers who are so deeply interested in the business side of their responsibilities and to see how gladly they assume them. These Florida people are most delighted and really happiest when they have a well-balanced program properly carried out. They first seek to understand, then they take their stand accordingly, and all hell can't stop them.

Mississippi

The state where the Old South remains with all of its fine traditions and southern hospitality. When people with these virtues of the true Southerner have been converted to true Christianity, united with the Church of God, then assembled in a workers' conference, one could expect only good results. The Church, composed of God's people under His government, is His idea of a church which could and would freely and gladly work with Him in keeping His standard lifted up for the people. God's ideas differ somewhat from the ideas of the devil

and those of some folks. The sanctified, Holy-Ghost-filled, truth-loving man is His idea for us. This is no other being's idea. The ideas of many Christians oftentimes differ with His; but after their theories have been examined in the light of His Word and have been cast away, the great mystery becomes clear enough that honest hearts can see that God did not try to have a church without government, and these Mississippians have enough of that clearness of vision and strength of heart to stand for such a church and to push its program with joy. Both the ministers of the state and Brother Cox seemed to be happy. The ministers appreciate having him as their overseer.

Louisiana

From Mississippi we motored to Louisiana, the state that so graciously allows the mighty Father of Waters a permanent outlet for the deliverance of its heavy burdens into the Gulf of Mexico. It is the home of the late Huey P. Long, better known as the "King Fish." However, the Church of God in that state does not claim to be the King Fish of churches, yet it does claim to be associated with the King of Glory. On account of bad roads and other hindrances, I arrived about an hour late; however, Brother Woodrow Byrd, the state overseer, had taken hold in our absence, and their business was in full swing when I got there. The meeting lasted only one day, but it was a high day for the Church of God in Louisiana. The good people there appreciate the fact that they can do a bigger and better job, do it more quickly and more easily without any one's complaining when they have time for the Spirit of the Lord to work. They had time for prayer, for praise, and for a message, and they took care of as much business as would otherwise have taken two days. When the time arrived to speak of the aged ministers, the reports showed that no plans were needed, for the plan of the General Assembly had already been carried out. They had all the money in; and with this attitude prevailing, all other quotas will come just as easily. Surely God had His eye on Louisiana.

In Him (Christ) Dwelleth All the



By Mrs. Geo. Leavelle

Fulness of the Godhead Bodily

This great subject takes us to the Garden of Gethsemane; it takes us to that old rugged cross. Lord, help us to kneel there and reconsecrate our lives to Him, yes, really give our "bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God," Rom. 12:1, 2.

How shall we ever expect to reach the fulness of Christ? Not until we get our minds renewed and quit loving the world, and the things that are in the world, for they surely are the lust of the eye and the pride of life and are of the world. O God, search our hearts and help us to examine ourselves that we may know whether we be in the faith or not.

We remember God's Word hath said the heart of man is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. Who shall know it? God alone. He knows every in-

tent of the heart; nothing is covered from the eyes of God.

Well, the best remedy we know, if we are dried up in our souls, or have lost the vision of the blessed Christ and His cross, or have been spoiled "through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of man, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ, is to get right on the Holy Ghost line to God's power house and stay there till you are filled and thrilled. "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power." Col. 2:8-10. I am afraid for some of you who tell me you don't have the burden any more. It may be some have a dead cell or two and need a repair job, or, in other words, maybe you have sold out to the enemy and are dead and don't know it. Sometimes restitutions help a lot. Men and women should examine themselves. But the question is, Are we worthy to be called

one of His body (or Church)? Are we eating and drinking worthily, or are we guilty of the body and blood of Jesus? "For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world," 1 Cor. 11:29-32.

"Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret? But covet ear-

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Missionary to China Does Home Mission Work



For some time, unrest, tragedies, and alarms have painted a drab and sombre background, yet the day we know as Christmas dawns in the light of its own characteristic glory. Everyone, especially those who know Christ in His reality and saving power, will be thinking more seriously this year about their gifts for loved one and cherished friends.

All will be choosing gifts of quality, gifts with lasting value, gifts with a meaning, gifts that will make Christ more real during the coming year. THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL will ring the bell; packed with blessing and spiritual food, enhanced by new beauty in make-up and design this ahead-of-the-minute weekly church paper will make a practical, purposeful, pleasing and personal gift.

The Church of God Evangel promotes a world-wide revival, and deserves a wide reading, so with prayer I send it out, beginning this Christmas. To all, love.—P. C. P.

To give good advice to others and not to do it is wrong, so I ask you, Brother Simmons, to please ask Brother E. J. Boehmer to take the subscriptions out of our money and give it to you for the five subscriptions given below. Begin by sending December 20 issue, the Christmas number. Thank you.

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Though the days are dark, there is light upon the horizon. God is watching over His own purposes.—Yours in His field, China,
PAUL C. PITT.

Last week's picture, J. T. Holman, Blue Diamond, Ky.

Foreign Missions

. . . On the Other Side of the World . . .

Chengannur P. O. Travancore State
South India, October 22, 1941

BELOVED Coworkers:

Since we wrote you last, a little over two months ago, a goodly number have been saved, backsliders have been reclaimed and a number have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in various places. We have recently had more tarrying meetings here at headquarters; one of the Bible school students received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, besides two members of the church here at headquarters.

We have been saddened by the passing away of one of our former Bible School students named Chacko, who has been pastoring in the Tamil district for some years. He was much interested in the building of the new church in his station, Papanasum, which is about ready for dedication now, the people of the church there giving part for the building and the Church of God the rest. Chacko is the second one to be taken in that station because of typhoid fever, the other one being a Bible school student named Aleyamma who was doing Bible woman's work there. Brother Chacko leaves a wife, who also was a former student of the Bible school, and one child. Formerly his home was in a Hindu village named Noornad. Here he was used of the Lord in opening up a good work, which is still going on.

One of these converts from Hinduism is Esther, who is now working in the Tamil district amongst Hindus. Another former student of the Bible school is her coworker and they live at station Watrap with worker Thomas and wife. We met them all at our annual convention at Madura which was held from Oct. 1-5. Four converts from their station followed the Lord in water baptism the last day of the convention; altogether twenty-eight were baptized. One of the four was an astrologer, who gave a bright testimony; his wife was saved at this convention. As I was parting from Thomas, with deep emotion he said that his great desire is to see souls saved and he is rejoicing because since last spring ten have been converted and baptized in water at Wa-

trap. His wife is also a worker and a good one, too. They make tours to ten different villages around Watrap. Esther gave a stirring talk at an open-air meeting held during this convention. She now speaks fluently in the Tamil language, and reads it also. When she first came to us, she could not even read in her native tongue, Malayalam. Praise the Lord for these worthy Bible students.

The Lord blessed at the Madura convention. I wish you might have heard them sing and rejoice in the Lord. Some walked about sixty miles to and from the convention; I should say, sixty miles each way. Money was collected from the different stations so three hundred and fifty were fed three times a day during this convention. We are encouraged by what we saw and heard of the way the work is going on in the Tamil district and we shall expect to hear of greater victories as you dear ones hold on in more intercessory prayer that many now bound in heathen darkness may see the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Recently I attended one of our district monthly meetings here in Travancore. Among the many good testimonies given was that of a young woman on whom the Lord has laid His hand for service. She is now being used in house-visiting, praying for the sick, etc. As a girl, when she was hungry for God, the Lord appeared to her as the risen Christ with nail-pierced hands, encouraging her by showing her that He would save her and would lead her on through trials that would come to her. She determined at that time to follow Him and to suffer for Him.

Later He showed her that she should be baptized in water. She was so persecuted by her brother with whom she was staying that it was difficult to get to our meetings, but one day, in response to her desire to know more about the Word on this subject of baptism, one of our workers visited the house and taught her the perfect way. Afterward she was sent back to her home. Her people, who are nominal Christians, would force her to go to their church against her will, by beating her. They tried different ways to persuade her out of the idea of being bap-

tized in water, etc. She was sent to relatives at a near-by place and later to a more distant place, but God showed her that she must obey Him so she returned home. During this time the Lord was encouraging her by visions.

On her return home, after being baptized in water, one of her brothers beat her and then as she was praising the Lord she received the baptism of the Spirit according to Acts 2:4, after which the brother took her to the well and mockingly baptized her to cleanse her from this "defilement" that had come to the family. It is a long story and her people are still against her for desiring to go amongst low castes (untouchables) and work for the Master. We praise the Lord for this earnest soul and ask you to pray for her. With some Bible training she will be a more useful vessel in this last hour, in the hands of the Lord.

Last week, early one morning, two brethren from station Ommalur came to tell us that some of our people had been beaten during a meeting in a new place that has opened up to us. In this orthodox Syrian center three from their number have been saved and followed the Lord in water baptism. During these weekly meetings stones have been thrown but they continued to go and witness. The night before these brethren came here, while one was preaching at this meeting, a number of ruffians came and beat several of our people, some quite severely. Some used iron-tipped sticks and some pieces of old tires. George has made three trips to the place to see the police about it and the case is under investigation. Much prayer is needed for the hungry ones in this new place.

We have written you about the work in Calicut. Last week we received letters from the two workers we have sent to work in a village not far from Calicut where there are no Christians—about four miles from the city of Calicut. They are amongst Hindus, Mohammedans, the low castes comprising about 1,500 people there. The evangelists visit homes, do personal work and a small class of young men are coming regularly to the house we have rented for these

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Reports of Revivals

SAVANNAH, Ga.—We are in the middle of a big revival conducted by Brother and Sister R. Tadlock, of Evansville, Ind. The Lord surely must have sent this brother and sister to Savannah. They are surely children of the Lord. Eight have been saved, two sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Two are to be added to the church next Sunday night. We surely thank the Lord for this revival. Everybody has learned to love Brother and Sister Tadlock and we will hate to see them leave, but we know that the Lord has work for them somewhere else. Pray for us down here in Savannah, that God will continue to bless.—Stanley M. Turner, 317 W. Bolton St.

DeFUNIAC SPRINGS, Fla.—We just closed a meeting at DeFuniac Springs, Fla., in which the Lord really blessed. This town has a population of about 3,000 and has no Church of God, but we are planning to organize soon. They already had a Sunday school going and we organized a Y.P.E. The first time we had Y.P.E. there were fifty-eight present. The meeting surely was a revival. It ran three weeks and two nights during which time eight were saved, five sanctified, and five filled with the Holy Ghost. People are still hungry for the Word. Please pray for us.—H. H. Mathis, Box 518, Ponce de Leon, Fla.

EAST ALTON, Ill.—We thank God for the good revival He gave us in East Alton, Ill. It was surely a success. Rev. Oran White was with us and he had charge of the singing and music, and the pastor, Rev. T. L. Forester, did the preaching. God was with us from the very beginning. There were five saved, four sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost and the whole church getting the old time fire burning again in their souls. God is still working since the revival closed. In our regular Sunday night service following the revival there were five in the altar. Two of them prayed through to the full blessing and two others were sanctified.

God is still healing. One night one of our precious sisters, Sister Liecele Edwards, who had been sick for eight weeks, and who had been given little hope for recovery by two doctors, was instantly healed. The doctors said she had a large tumor on her heart and decided she was going to die anyway so she got up and came to church and was prayed for, and praise God, was instantly healed, went home that night and the next day put

out her washing and is feeling better than she has in years. She doesn't have a pain now.

We also praise God for the good crowds. All through the week we had Sunday night crowds. With all the defense work going on here the devil tried to make us think we could not have any crowds, but when the Holy Ghost takes charge the people will come. Pray for us here that God will continue to bless us.—Mrs. T. L. Forester, 332 Penning Ave., Woodriver, Ill.

Special Meeting at Consul

CONSUL, Sask., Can.—God has greatly blessed and encouraged hearts in a three weeks' revival under the able ministry of our Canadian evangelist, G. C. Pettyjohn. His messages were timely, God-inspired and God-blessed. Our revival closed last Friday but really concluded in an all-day service at the opening exercise of the South Saskatchewan Bible Training School at Robsart. Everyone present enjoyed basketsful of spiritual blessings as well as temporal, and had a good time in fellowship one with another and especially with our blessed Lord. Pray for this needy field and for the Bible School.—A. E. Erickson, pastor.

God Is Blessing at Whitmire, S. C.

WHITMIRE, S. C.—We just closed a revival here at Whitmire, S. C. Rev. J. W. Hannah did the preaching, the Y. P. E. sponsoring the revival. They have a contest between Groups 1 and 2 on points, and coupons is their main point. One sinner man brought in over 1,800 whole coupons in two weeks and others are working hard. We have other things that we give points for, such as offering, going to service on time, visiting sick, Bible chapters read, and others, and you should see each group captain working in each service. They are making payments on two pianos and doing other things for God.

Five were saved, five sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost in the two weeks' services. The Lord surely is blessing here. We have a good Sunday school and a real L.W.W.B. They have quilted three quilts this week and this is just Thursday. Each Sunday school class has put curtains and shades in its classroom. We have also put water in the parsonage, built a new porch with a bathroom. There have been fifteen saved, ten sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost and five added to the church. We

have gained many friends since coming here. The town and mill officials seem to think very much of us and we are doing everything we can to prove to them that we are interested in the salvation of souls. We have paid off the indebtedness on the church and had an all-day service. Our district pastor, Brother W. D. Childers, came over and enjoyed burning the mortgage and dedicating the church to God and His service. We surely have good people here to work with. They are God-fearing and God-loving people.—J. C. Greene, pastor, Box 152.

CAWOOD, Ky.—We have just closed a ten days' revival with Rev. E. O. Frazier and wife, of Illinois, in charge. There were several reclaimed and the saints were revived. Two were added to the church. One sister was healed who had not walked for two months or longer. She shouted and praised God and came to church. There is one to be baptized in water.

Our church is getting along fine. We have faithful, loyal people to the church and their pastor. This is my second year at Cawood and I do not know of any church I would trade it for to pastor. During this ten days' meeting the good people and the evangelist and his wife made up \$26.00 to buy me a suit and \$5.00 to buy my wife a dress. We greatly appreciate Brother Frazier and his family and hope they can soon be with us again.

Pray for our little church and the work at Cawood; we want to be one hundred per cent on everything for God and His cause.—A. W. Hall, pastor.

PATTERSON, Va.—We closed a three weeks' revival Nov. 15. Sixteen were saved and twelve filled with the Holy Ghost. One was saved in prayer meeting last night. We really thank God for Sister Patrick who conducted the revival. We saints are now having prayer meetings in homes. The Lord really blesses. Praise His dear name.—Mollie Blevins.

DELBARTON, W. Va.—A wonderful revival just closed at the Delbarton, W. Va., Church of God which lasted four weeks. Many claim it to be the best revival held here in three years. Radio station WBTH, Williamson, W. Va., granted us a very special favor. We were given the opportunity to have a program every day over that station. Great interest prevails throughout this section of the country. Rev. W. Haskell, pastor of the church at Delbarton, is a very efficient minister and one of the best we have ever had the pleasure of working with. May God bless the Delbarton saints.—Russell Ford and wife, evangelists.

LaFOLLETTE, Tenn.—We are glad to report another good revival for La-Follette. Brother and Sister Cook have just closed a revival with one saved, two renewed, one sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. We were blessed spiritually, while the evangelist was blessed both spiritually and financially.—Ruth Baird.

NASSAU, Bah.—I am glad to report victory over sin, and have a mind to go all the way with the Lord.

We have just closed an eight weeks' revival at the Dixie Highway and the Mother's Church of God. We had a wonderful time in the Lord. It was a joint revival and the Lord blessed. I can't express the blessings we received in this revival. It was the best we ever had since we have been in fellowship with the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Dear saints, if you had never shouted and had been here you would have had to shout then because the presence of the Lord was there. We are getting back to Pentecost, also getting ready for the rapture which is to take place quickly, suddenly, and without this Pentecost power we cannot make the rapture.

During the revival we had many pastors from the Baptist church and many of them fell in fellowship with us and we were glad to have them. They preached many good sermons for us. Rev. J. H. Davis was in charge; he is a real man of God. He preached a clean doctrine and souls returned to the Lord. At the two churches about twenty-seven were saved, sanctified, sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty added to the church and many are still looking this way. Pray for us as we are young saints, that we will continue as the coming of Jesus is so near, also that we will have a larger church.—Leroy H. Cartwright, clerk.

BARBOURVILLE, Ky.—We have just closed a revival here with Rev. W. E. Foster, of Jamestown, Ky. In every service the presence of the great coming King was felt. We shouted and praised the Lord in most every meeting. There was a good spirit prevailing all through this revival. Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is love and unity. There were two old time experiences of conversions. They fell at the altar crying unto the Savior. During this time our beloved district overseer, Brother W. B. Webb, visited us and, oh, such a good message.

Since we have come here we are glad of how faithfully the saints of God have been working. The L. W. W. B. has bought tin roofing to recover the church house and it is on already (one hundred dollars worth). We have also done some repairing on the inside. Our Sunday school has a good average and the Y.

P. E. is going good. By the Lord's help and our members and friends working together, I feel we can have the church on the honor roll. That is our goal, by the Lord's help. When you are passing through Barbourville in Knox County, ask for the Church of God on the Artemus Road and visit us.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. It pays to deny ourselves. It pays ministers to give full time to the gospel. We may not have so much earthly goods, but we can have victory in our souls. Remember us when you pray.—George L. Cravens, pastor.

RINGGOLD, Ga. — We have just closed a revival here at the Church of God with four saved, one sanctified, one reclaimed, two filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church.

The Lord was with us in every service. Brother C. B. Godsey was the evangelist. His faithful wife assisted him. We surely appreciate them and are sure they will be a blessing to the Church wherever they go.

We also appreciate our good pastor and his faithful wife, Brother and Sister Jordan. We are just praying and looking forward for another good revival in the near future. We also have a good Ladies Willing Workers' Band started. Pray for us that we will be humble before God in these perilous times.—R. A. Partin.

We have just closed a revival near the Church of God in Harmony with the Church of God in Sister Elsie Goss' mission. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. The presence of the Lord was with us in every service. The wonderful Word of God went out in power. Three were saved, one reclaimed, five sanctified, and six filled with the Holy Ghost.

Sister Goss is a good sister in the Lord. She speaks well for the Church of God, also when the church first came to this town she helped in many ways in its favor. Pray for this good sister in the Lord; she is a blessing to the town of Greenville. We feel that this revival will be a help to the Church of God here.

We think our pastor is a good man. We are looking to go over the top for the Lord this year. All the members of the Church of God and the outside folks, too, love our pastor, Brother Walker. We mean to stand by him in every way. Pray for the work here to grow and many souls to find the Lord. The revival was conducted by W. R. Fillers and wife, evangelists in the Church of God, who are open for calls.—W. R. Fillers, Box 537, Greenville, Tenn.

CAMPAIGN, Tenn.—The Church of God at Campaign has just closed a good revival. We had good sermons every

night. The preaching was rendered by our pastor, R. L. Sifford, and our good district pastor, Brother Woods. The church members were greatly encouraged and revived. Although we didn't see the results we would like to have seen, we thank the Lord for those who did come through. We trust that some of the good seed sown will spring forth later. There were three saved, one sanctified, one baptized with the Holy Ghost, three added to the church, and one transferred from another church here. The revival closed with communion service and feet washing with a good sermon fitted to the occasion by Brother Woods.—Willie C. Mills, clerk, Rt. 1, Rock Island, Tenn.

N. GREENVILLE, S. C.—We wish to sound a note of praise to God and tell you of the splendid progress of our church program.

We have gained over sixty per cent in our Sunday school attendance since the Assembly; have raised the largest offering the church has ever had, from which we installed a furnace costing approximately five hundred dollars.

We have just closed a revival with Sisters Annie E. Jones and H. A. Connor. They did splendid work. Several souls were blessed and the church helped greatly. God is blessing us wonderfully here. We appreciate our good pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Roy M. Douglas.—Ernest W. Welborn, 303 Frank St.

COCOA, Fla.—We are glad to report a good revival here this Assembly year. Services began October 12 and closed October 26. The Lord surely blessed and was with us in most every service. The evangelist didn't get here and the revival was announced, so we started in the battle with the pastor doing the preaching the first week and Brother S. W. Browder preaching the last week. The house was almost full every night. Four were saved, two sanctified, two baptized with the Holy Ghost, three baptized in water, one added to the church and all the church greatly blessed. The last night we had the Lord's supper and feet washing and, my, how the Lord did bless. The house would not hold the people the last night. Pray for us here at Cocoa.—R. R. Holland, pastor, Box 702.

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va.—On Nov. 15 we closed a two weeks' revival at New Martinsville, W. Va. We held this revival in a private home as they have no church building. Two were wonderfully saved and several reclaimed. Brother Edgell helped several nights. We are looking forward to having a church here soon. We closed the revival with communion service and feet washing. Pray that God will have His way in this place.—Rev. Levi Yoho, 2003 1/2 Olive Ave.

Requests

For Prayer

We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these requests it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take these to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf. In order for requests to be published they must be signed.

Pray For

A friend who is suffering with cancer. Her address is Mrs. King W. Patterson, Rt. 1, Crossville, Tenn.—Mrs. A. T. Patterson, Alcoa, Tenn.

The healing of my nerves so they will not give way on me.—Elizabeth Lovin, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.

My sinner husband to be healed of ulcers of the stomach and saved. The doctor doesn't think he will get well and he needs God so badly.—Mrs. Emma Melton, Graniteville, S. C.

God to undertake for my home; my body to be healed completely; my husband to be healed.—Sister Hall, Box 183, Salerno, Fla.

My daughter who is in the hospital to be healed and saved.—Mrs. Millie Keith, Blossburg, Ala.

Me to be completely healed of hernia which causes so much suffering and discomfort; my heart, eyes and other ailments; my daddy to be completely healed; one of my sisters who is in a serious condition to be healed; others to be healed.—Maude Martin, Rt. 2, Altoona, Ala.

Me to be healed of something like gall bladder trouble; my right side hurts me sometimes until I can hardly bear it; my husband and baby.—Mrs. Donia Dyer, Rt. 3, Double Springs, Ala.

The healing of my body, I have been in bed since the 20th day of September.—Ida Mae (Lopez) Hadsock, 812 E. Lime St., Lakeland, Fla.

Sister Larkin Taylor, Lubbock, Tex., to be healed of diabetes and cancer.—

T. W. Godwin, Box 221, Weatherford, Tex.

The healing of my body; unspoken request.—Sister L. M. Smith, 1906 Carswell Ave., Waycross, Ga.

The healing of my husband who is sick with heart trouble. He is lost and wants to be saved.—A member who believes in prayer.

Sister Garrett who has been suffering so much to be healed; her daughter to be healed and saved.—Minnie Adams, Nettleton, Ark.

My sister who is very sick in the hospital to be healed.—Miss Hazel Franklin, Rt. 1, Windom, Tex.

Me to be healed of rheumatism.—Mrs. Dorothy Ross, Box 201, Mt. Holly, N. C.

Our little two-year-old girl who has been paralyzed and hasn't walked for five months to be healed. She has something like infantile paralysis.—Mrs. Allen Lang, Naples, Fla.

God to heal me of severe weak spells and remove the soreness from my stomach; my little girl to be healed.—Mrs. Pearlzie Hedgepath, Rt. 4, Boaz, Ala.

The complete healing of my body, I have had the flu and it seems I can't get over it; the healing of my daughter who has a goitre and is very nervous, she also got too warm at her work and has been very sick.—Mrs. Mary Cotton, 409 Spring St., Talladega, Ala.

The Lord to restore my husband's and my health, we are both in bad health; my mother, she is eighty-one years old and doesn't know anything about the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will show her and give her the experience before she has to leave this world.—Mrs. Roy Macaby, Rt. 1, Box 111, Benton, Ill.

My grandfather, Henry Bridgman, Rt. 1, Nauvoo, Ala., to be healed of high blood pressure, he is also paralyzed in the left side. He is seventy-three years old but asked me to have you pray for him. Encouragement will be appreciated.—Mrs. Bennie Hulsey, Box 831, Jasper, Ala.

The healing of my face, I had a bad breaking out on it.—A sister, Knoxville, Tenn.

I am in a serious condition, my health is poor and I am so weak at times I can hardly go. Pray God to give my health and strength back to me.—Mrs. Vada Allman, Rt. 3, Madisonville, Tenn.

The healing of my afflicted body; God to undertake for my husband.—Mrs. H. B. L., Ferndale, Fla.

The Lord to completely heal my head of a nervousness which is very bad; my mother who has a tumor to be healed.—Mrs. Cora Wolfe, Midvale, Ohio.

My husband to be healed of high blood pressure and come back to God; my neck and head to be healed; my youngest son who was working at the planing mill and who got his arm cut half off, to be healed.—Mrs. India Maples, Rt. 1, Tallapoosa, Ga.

My aunt who is in a bad condition to be healed and saved, she is almost a nervous wreck.—Laura Mae Wright, Crystal City, Mo.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. P. R. Walker, 97 Cedar St., Mt. Union, Pa.

God to heal my body and provide for me, I am a widow and need His help; our church in Ft. Pierce, which has gone down, to rise and shine for God.—Mrs. Luella Wallace, Box 214, Seville, Fla.

My grandbaby to be healed, it is one month old and has never used its right arm. The doctor says it will have to be operated on next Saturday. Please pray for God to undertake.—Rosa Wilson, Trion, Ga.

The complete healing of my body, I have been sick for some time.—Mrs. Esby Estes, Rt. 1, Selmer, Tenn.

My husband who is hard of hearing to be healed and saved; a cousin of mine to be healed and saved.—Mrs. Elijah Carr, Rt. 1, Brentwood, Tenn.

The healing of a friend's body of some affliction; God to undertake for a very urgent request.—Mrs. Lela Shannon, 214 N. 7th St., Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Please pray that God will undertake for me in a certain case.—Mollie Lane, Robinette, W. Va.

God to help me and provide something for me to do for Him if it is nothing but solicit dimes for the mission cause.—Mary Lynch, 102 2nd St., Thomaston, Ga.

My husband to be healed of bad stomach trouble. If God doesn't under-

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Question Box

The Editor

Question: We appreciate the question Box very much and would like for you to please explain the following scriptures and questions for us: First, we have had much discussion in the Sunday school class and otherwise, of 1 Corinthians 14, about the unknown tongues, and one preacher said that there are two kinds of tongues taught in the Bible—unknown tongues and other tongues. This is based on 1 Cor. 14:2. Second, when Christ said in Matt. 19:24, that it was easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, etc., what kind of a needle did He mean? Third, will you please explain Psalms 139:15, 16? Does this mean that David existed in some form before he was born into the world?—R. W. F.

Answer: The first question has been explained heretofore in the Question Box but for the benefit of those who have later become subscribers to the Evangel, we shall be glad to further explain. In the 12th, 13th, and 14th chapters of 1 Corinthians we have the one context, that is "gifts." It might be noted that the 12th chapter begins with "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant." The first verse of the 13th chapter continues with "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal." In other words, if I had the gift of tongues of men and angels, and did not have divine love, I would be vain. The first verse of the 14th chapter says, "Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that we may prophesy." This leaves no doubt that the tongues referred to in all three of these chapters is the gift of tongues.

The word "unknown" in the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians is a word supplied by the translators as it will be noted by those reading that it is printed in italics. In verse 14 we have these words, "For if I pray in an unknown tongue my spirit prayeth but my understanding is unfruitful," and from this fact, that the understanding of the person speaking was unfruitful and that possibly there were none in the church at Corinth who understood the languages which had been spoken, the translators believed that the word "unknown" would best explain this gift of languages. However, the 10th verse says, "There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification." This distinctly shows that the languages spoken could have

been understood somewhere. The same is inferred in verse 16, "Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?" This justifies the belief that those who were well learned or versed in languages would be able to understand what was said.

Again referring to the 12th chapter of 1 Corinthians, and the 10th verse, this gift of tongues is referred to as divers kinds of tongues or, in other words, different kinds of tongues; these tongues are the same as those mentioned in the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians and were unknown to the speaker and not understood by those at Corinth who were listening in. This was the particular reason for Paul writing to the church at Corinth, that he might set them straight relative to the regulation of spiritual gifts.

Question two. Matthew 19:24 seems rather hard for a great many people to understand, "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God." This amazed the disciples. They exclaimed, "Who then can be saved?" But the words of Jesus answered the question: "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." It would be impossible with men for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. It would be impossible with man for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. But God could do either of them.

The Companion Bible suggests that the scripture means the camel with his burden. A small door fixed in a gate which was opened after dark, is suggested. To pass through this the camel must be unloaded, hence the signification that it was difficult for a rich man to enter the kingdom. To enter he must be unloaded and hence the proverb which became common in the East. In Palestine it was known as the camel, but we are told in the Companion Bible that the Babylonian Talmud used the elephant. But leaving all other explanations aside, the one thing satisfactory is that nothing is impossible with God.

Question three. No, Psalms 139:15, 16, does not mean that David existed in any other living form before he was born into the world. Of course, he existed. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Afterwards He made things out of the material which He had created in the beginning. We are also told that in Ecclesiastes 3:20, "All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again." Thus David spoke of the infinite mind of God and of His foreknowledge of all things, hence my sub-

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Deaths

LETSINGER

W. J. Letsinger, of Panola, Ill., father of Rev. M. W. Letsinger, one of our Bishops and Editor and Publisher of the Church of God Publishing House at the time of his death several years ago, was born Aug. 11, 1860, and departed this life Oct. 11, 1941; age eighty-one years and two months.

GREGG

Our precious Sister Benather Gregg, a faithful, humble follower of Christ, departed this life Nov. 19, 1941; age sixty-seven years, seven months and fifteen days.—Mrs. Ruby Scrivner, Shaw, Miss.

SUTTON

In memory of Brother A. F. Sutton, a member of the Church of God at Selman City, Tex., who departed this life Oct. 14, 1941; age twenty-seven years.—C. H. Gardner, pastor, Selman City, Tex.

MOORE

A. A. Moore, brother and faithful clerk of the Church of God at Mineral Wells, Tex., departed this life Oct. 21, 1941; age sixty-four years, eight months and one day.—His pastor, Ernest M. Smith.

MOATES

Brother Lee Moates, a faithful member of the Church of God at Oak Grove, Ala., slipped away to glory Oct. 23, 1941; age thirty-three years.—Velma Thrash and Emma Newman, 47 Central Ave., Sylacauga, Ala.

LEGG

My dear husband, Leon Legg, a devoted Christian, was born Nov. 13, 1916, and departed this life to be with Jesus Sept. 13, 1941; age twenty-four years and ten months.—His wife, Willie Mae Legg, Rt. 3, Box 165-B, Oak Grove, La.

PAULSON

Sister Mary E. Paulson, a charter member of the Church of God at Alvin, Ill., went to be with Jesus Nov. 10, 1941.—O. A. Stewart, pastor.

TURNER

Brother J. Turner, a faithful member of the Church of God at Riverside, Jam., B. W. I., slipped away to be with Jesus Sept. 29, 1941; age forty-one years.

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Praise and Thanksgiving

MONCLO, W. Va.—Praise God from whom all blessings flow. We are truly glad for the precious blood of Jesus which covers our soul just now. Praise His holy name. We just closed one of the best revivals we have had in a long time. Brother C. M. Roseman was our evangelist. He surely preached the Word and God put His approval on each message. Four were saved, six sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church.

Thank God for our young people. They seemed to take so much interest in the singing and working around the altar. On Saturday night we had the Lord's supper and feet washing. Fifty-seven saints enjoyed this blessing.

We are expecting a great year in the Lord under the leadership of our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister R. B. Underwood. They are real people of God and it is a pleasure to work with them for the Lord. Please pray for the Church of God at Monclo.—J. F. Trusley, clerk, Sharples, W. Va.

Jesus Is Getting Us Ready for that Great Day

TITUS, Ga.—I praise God for victory over sin and the devil. I praise Him for the sweet assurance of heaven I feel in my soul just now and for the many times He has blessed and healed me of many different things. I am looking for His coming and it will pay us to be ready to go.

A few of us have been meeting out every day praying for God's will to be done and I feel if we will hold to God's unchanging hand He will never forsake us; He is getting us ready for that great day. Who will be able to stand? It is going to take the Holy Ghost and power to be able to stand. I am having a hard battle but the harder the battle the sweeter the victory. God has always made a way for me and I know He will continue to if I will stay close by His side. He is answering and blessing our little efforts. He says He will go with us all the way, even down to death's door, and I feel more like going all the way. If there ever was a time we need to hold on to God and pray, it is now. I have many loved ones who are lost and I desire your prayers that God will save them before it is too late.

We have a real man of God for our pastor, Brother Loftis. Pray that God will help him in his efforts. We had a wonderful service Sunday; the Holy Ghost took charge. The state overseer and Brother

James Sanders were with us. Brother Sanders baptized in the afternoon and conducted the evening service. We were in service all day and the Lord surely blessed.

I have a sister in Christ who has an ulcer on her leg. She has been a faithful member. Please pray a special prayer for her. Her address is Mrs. Ella Mae Garrett, Titus, Ga. Please remember me in your prayer, also pray that our little church will rise and shine.—Mrs. Dessie Eller.

Much to Thank God For

HOLCOMB, Miss.—I truly thank the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost a little over a year ago. I am young in the way but I do not feel like I could do without Jesus. I mean by His help and grace to serve Him to the end. Praise the Lord.

In April my mother, Mrs. W. B. Simpson, had a severe heart attack and it seemed she was going to leave us several times, but, thank God, when we would gather around the bed to pray God would touch her body every time. He didn't heal her, but she has been on the mend ever since and is now able to be up after being in bed three months. I feel like I have more to thank God for today than ever before. Bless His good name.

We thank our faithful pastor and wife, Brother and Sister Bozeman, and the good saints of God around Stonefield and everywhere for helping us pray in time of trouble. Please continue to pray for her to grow stronger in body so she will soon be able to have her teeth drawn, and if it be the Lord's will completely heal her. Also pray for me to do the Lord's will and that my husband will receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Ollie Cox, Rt. 1.

He Will Make a Way of Escape

Above everything in this world I love Jesus. He is worthy of all the praise and honor that we are able to bestow upon Him. When I think of how He cast aside His royal robe and crown in glory, came down to this sinful world to be scorned and spit upon and to die the horrible death which He died on Calvary, all that we might have life eternal, that we might have this wonderful experience of sanctification, the mighty baptism of the Holy Ghost, the peace of God which passeth all understanding and the great rest that only those who have been washed in His blood and filled with His Spirit know about, and how He keeps us safe and secure, I am made to know that His love

for us is great. It matters not how severe the test, how great the temptation, or how sorely we are tried, the foundation of God standeth sure, the Lord knoweth them that are His and will with the temptation also make a way of escape. I count it a great privilege to suffer for Jesus' sake, for if we suffer with Him we will also reign with Him and the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. Our light affliction which is but for a moment worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

Saints, let us put on the whole armor of God that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil; let us stand, having our loins girt about with truth and having on the breastplate of righteousness and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace, above all things taking the shield of faith wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked and take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God and step out on the firing line, fight sin in every form, hold high the blood-stained banner for our great King, and keep ourselves unspotted from the world. Jesus will soon step out on the clouds of heaven and His bride, which are those who are pure and holy and without blemish, will go to meet Him in the air. The toils of this life will then seem as nothing, when all the ransomed Church of God lay their crowns at Jesus' feet and crown Him King of kings and Lord of lords. I want to be there, don't you?—Mrs. Ella Smothers, Bessemer City, N. C.

GAINESVILLE, Ga.—I praise God for what He means to me and my family. He has healed in our home so many times. He has healed our children when it looked like they were almost in death's door. I'm so glad we learned to trust Him. I thank the Lord for opening my blinded eyes to the truth and leading me to the good highway of holiness. Pray for me to be able to train my children in the way that will be pleasing to the Lord. Pray for my parents to accept the Lord before it is too late, also my brothers and sisters to become willing to seek the Lord while they have time and opportunity.—Mrs. Luther Corn, 54 St. Allworth St.

VINCENNES, Ind.—I thank you all for your many kind letters. Oh, you don't know how much I appreciated them. I feel a lot better in body. I can eat nearly anything I want now. Folks, I know the Lord has helped me because I do not doctor. It just had to be His help.

I wish I could tell you I was back where I used to be with Jesus. I hope by next time I can say I received the Holy

Ghost and completely healed in soul and body. It seems like when the devil gets one of the Lord's children down he tries to keep him down. I know Jesus has all power. Keep praying for me that this unrestful feeling will leave me and I will get that peace in my soul again.—Mrs. Irene Brown, Rt. 5.

Wonderfully Blessed During Severe Illness

CALHOUN, Ga. — Dear Readers, I take this great opportunity to praise the Lord for His goodness to me. If it had not been for Him I am sure I would not be here. I have been suffering with typhoid fever for the past seventy days and I thank the Lord, even though I was very ill, for the many blessings I received since I have been afflicted. He wonderfully saved my soul and, praise God, He put a determination in my heart to go all the way. Now I am able to sit up and I am still trusting this great Savior who gave His life for us.

Pray for me that I will ever stay in the center of His will.—Miss Verdell Frix, Rt. 2.

GRAYSVILLE, Tenn.—I thank the Lord for His goodness to me and family. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His name. He has saved my dear boy who was a backslider. Pray that the Lord will give him the Holy Ghost. I have a husband and two children out in sin; pray that the Lord will save their lost souls before it is too late.

Last week I had a severe pain in my head and jaw. I laid the Evangel on and asked the Lord to remove the pain and praise God the pain was gone, although I put off the promise I made to God and the pain came back. It will not do to fail a promise you make to God. Please pray a special prayer for my husband, that the Lord will save, sanctify and fill him with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. George Majors.

ROME, Ga.—I praise the Lord for this wonderful, wonderful blessing, because He saved me when I was lost. I remember when I knelt down at an old cane-bottom chair back in the mountains at Brother Wesley Murphy's home about ten years ago. Brother Murphy was sick and they began praying for him and he was healed, got up and preached and gave an altar call. I fell in the altar and was saved and sanctified. About two months later we had prayer meeting at our house and I asked the saints to pray for my throat, and He baptized me with the Holy Ghost and I am so glad. Please pray for me to be humble.—A. R. Howell, 202 Pine St.

ATMORE, Ala.—I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. Last week my baby was sick; he had a high fever. I

kept praying and thank the Lord he is well again. I am not a member of the Church of God but I do believe in the holiness way.

I ask everyone to pray for me, that I will do more for the Lord in the future than I have in the past and do what He would have me do.—Opal Lloyd, Rt. 3, box 103, c/o L. A. Barrette.

WALHALLA, S. C.—I truly praise my blessed Savior this morning for what He has done for me. He saved my soul from a life of sin, sanctified me with His precious blood and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost. He has healed in our home so many times this year. He healed my mother last winter of a relapse of flu when she went to death's door, it seemed. Then in the spring He healed her of something like gall bladder trouble. She is weak in body and wants all the saints to pray for her, and pray for the Lord to undertake for her children who are in trouble.

I praise the Lord for healing my little boy of something like pneumonia last spring, and a few days ago He healed me of tonsillitis. My head seemed to have risen. I was suffering terribly, couldn't eat anything much as I couldn't swallow, but some of the saints prayed for me and, oh glory, He came to my rescue.

When you pray remember me in prayer that I may stand true.—Mrs. Sallie Kelley, Rt. 1.

HIGH SHOALS, N. C.—I praise God for His kindness, goodness and mercies He has for me. I praise Him for the free salvation He gave us, something which can't be bought. It is free to all who love and obey Him. I praise Him for the sweet Holy Ghost who abides with me day and night. It is wonderful to know the Lord. You never know real peace and joy until you know the Lord. Pray that I will always keep myself unspotted from the world and watch myself instead of watching others. Pray for my loved ones who are living in sin that they may be saved.—Eulala Doolittle.

Grace Needed to Stand in These Days

PRINCETON, W. Va.—I praise the Lord for what He is doing for us at Princeton. First, I praise Him for giving me the sweet Holy Ghost about seventeen years ago and He is real today. I have been a member of the Church of God about sixteen years, and, of course, it seems like home. I praise the Lord for His healing power. He has healed in our home so many times.

I praise Him for the good revival that was conducted by Brother Clell Ray. He has been a blessing to the church here. I

do not know just how many were saved and sanctified but two received the Holy Ghost and the saints were encouraged. It was the first revival that we have had in the new church. Yes, we have moved into the new church for which we thank the Lord, as it is larger than the old one and in a better location. The devil tried to hinder us from building but, praise the Lord, we won the victory by working and praying. Our good pastor labored hard, assisted by the saints. We surely have a good pastor; he knows just how to feed the flock of God.

You know, friends, everybody doesn't have the chance that some of us have today to go to church and of being with God's children. If there ever was a time that we need to wake up and be at our post of duty, it is now. We see the Bible being fulfilled right before our eyes, revealing that Jesus is soon coming. It is going to take more grace to stand in these evil days. We should be praying more and searching our lives. I am sure we all have a work to do. I may not be able to do great things for the Lord but I am willing to do the little things. I want to be able to hear Him say, Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Friends, won't those words sound good when we come to the crossing? I want to be true to the Lord; He means so much to me. When you pray, remember us at Princeton. God knows our every need. May God bless everyone is my prayer.—Mrs. Bessie Fink, Rt. 2, Box 249.

He Is Able to Care for All

CARBON, W. Va.—Dear Evangel Family, I praise the Lord this day for what He is to me. About a week ago I was suffering very much with a pain in my left leg and in my left temple. I asked the Lord to remove the pain and I would tell it through the little paper we love so well. I am not ashamed of the power of God for without it I do not think our salvation can be complete. I praise Him because we can trust Him for our bodies.

The bad sore I had on my left leg is almost well. I can't find words to thank the dear Lord and also the many good people who I know have been praying for me. I have three sores on my head. One of them is eating on the skull. The doctors have said it was only a matter of time with me, but I am trusting God and I believe He will deliver me, for He is the same yesterday, today and forever and has no respect of person and can heal all manner of diseases, and He is able to take care of all who will commit themselves to His trust. So why should we be afraid to call on or trust a doctor like that? Praise His good name. I can feel His presence now.

REQUESTS

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take he will have to be operated on.—Mrs. Albert Wykle, Rt. 1, Box 55, Ronceverte, W. Va.

—R—
The healing of our sick children.—C. W. Kendall, Union, Miss.

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God to undertake in a special way for our family.—Mrs. Mary Price, Rt. 6, Danville, Va.

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HELTON, Ky.—Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Church of God: I surely like to read your good testimonies. I thank God for being established in this dear Church. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have been serving God fifteen years; there is nothing so precious as Jesus to me.

I have a little family of five children—two boys and three girls—and my dear husband is very badly afflicted. He has T. B. and is not able to work and we are in very bad need of clothes. Please pray that God will bless us and make a way for us to not suffer with cold. God will make a way for us; I am trusting my faith and hope to the God above. Bless His precious name. My oldest boy is ten years, the next eight, girls six years, three years and seven months. I am praying to God to spare me to live to raise my children to be men and women for God. If they will follow mother they will never be lost. Pray for me, my husband and five children.—Rosa Ellen Haskins.

Question Box

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stance, or the material from which I was made, was not hidden from thee. His humility is shown by his description of coming from the lowest parts of the earth. And true it is that God knows all about us and has a foreknowledge of us before we were shapen and born into this world. Many other scriptures bear out the same suggestion.

DEATHS

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—A. R. Campbell, clerk, Ginger Hill, Riverside P. O., Jam., B. W. I.

STEPHENS

Little Martha Fay Stephens, our darling baby, went to be with Jesus Sept. 11, 1941; age one year, three months and eleven days.—Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stephens, Rt. 5, Hattiesburg, Miss.

PANKEY

Claudie Lee Pankey, infant son of Lloyd and Mildred Pankey, departed this life Nov. 5, 1941, living only four hours.—Rev. Leonard Newton, pastor.

FOX

Sister Bessie Jamison Fox, our dear mother, departed this life Nov. 16, 1941; age forty-five years. She was a devoted Christian and member of the Church of God at Sylva, N. C. Pray for us.—The bereaved daughter, Sister Ethel Jones, Sylva, N. C.

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD

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workers. They are illiterate and are being taught to read and to sing, also scripture verses. They love to sing our songs. We know that God's Word will not return unto Him void and we believe that there will be fruit from this field. There must be fruit as we hold on in prayer.

The work is going on well in the North Travancore district where the Cases are stationed; there are new doors opening to them. At one station not long ago eight were baptized in water, one of these being a man 82 years of age. Blossom and George are doing well and the Lord is sustaining them in the work they are doing for Him.

I have given you some of the high lights of the work during the past two months and trust you will be encouraged to pray more earnestly. The time is short and what we do must be done quickly. May the Lord's choicest blessings rest upon each one of you.—Yours for lost souls, Bertha N. Cook.

In Him (Christ) Dwelleth All the Fulness of the Godhead Bodily

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nestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way," 1 Cor. 12:27-31.

Thank God, it is going to be a Church without spot. The most excellent way I have ever found in God's Word is a body of people trying to measure up to the fulness of the Godhead bodily. This experience is what establishes the heart and blesses the soul.

We need to serve God in spirit and in truth, in the beauty of holiness. "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked," 1 John 2:6. Too many are disputing "the measure of the fulness of the Godhead bodily." Some say the fulness is being baptized in the name of Jesus and they will take the sinner as well as the Christian and baptize him so he can receive the Holy Ghost. But that is not Bible. I find according to the Word, and what I have seen, that a baptized sinner can stumble or mislead more people than a dry sinner. I read in Acts 2:1-4, "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in

one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

In the 36th verse we hear Peter as he turned to the people and said, "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ." "When they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Peter did some good preaching here when he got those old hard-hearted murderers and skeptics to accept Jesus the only begotten Son of God as their Lord and Savior.

How shall we ever expect to measure up to the fulness of the Godhead bodily, except we get healed of this awful spiritual blindness? Many are trying to tell us today that Jesus and God are one and the same person, and I agree with them that they are the same in spirit and in purpose, but I can't be so narrow as to disbelieve Jesus' own words, for His Spirit and Word is my life and my glory.

For this cause "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." "For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell." That doesn't mean that Jesus was just talking to Himself and His Father had passed away or His Spirit was in some far-off space echoing. I tell you once more, you will have to get loose from such false doctrine if you ever measure up to the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

"There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling: One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." Eph. 4:4-6.

I like to bow my knees in honor and praise unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, "that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able

to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen," Eph. 3:16-21.

I love and adore the Father and His great love gift and Representative He sent to redeem this sin-cursed world. Glory to His precious name! "Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all," 1 Cor. 15:24-28.

God Is Still On the Throne

ALARKA, N. C.—Dear Brothers and Sisters scattered abroad, I have been bothered with cancer for sixteen years and last Christmas I was so low everybody who saw me thought I would die. Some said they wouldn't give five cents for my life, but God in His own power picked me up when I could feel the cold hand of death on my body. I prayed to God and He said, "Will you go to Bryson City and other places where there is no Church of God and preach to them?" I said, "Yes, Lord, I will go anywhere you send me." It seemed that all the blood was gone from my body but God has restored me and I have walked four and five miles at a time. I preach on the streets in Bryson City every Saturday at two o'clock. God is able to establish a church in Bryson City. Pray that God will give us a house and many souls. I am Church of God foursquare; I am in it all over. God is still on the throne with as much power as He had when He delivered Daniel from the den of lions, the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace, and when Jesus raised the dead.

We have been in a revival for three weeks. Pray that God will bless and give us a church. There is no foolishness in this; it is as real as heaven. When I got the Holy Ghost twenty years ago I threw away all the medicine we had and put myself in the Lord's hand. All things are possible to them that believe and keep His commandments. We must hold the blood-stained banner high to a lost world and not shun to declare the whole counsel of God. If we seek to please men we are not a servant of God.

God told me to go to these places a long time ago and preach and I had

failed, and when I was praying and talking to God about myself a cloudy film stood over me and a voice said, "Aren't you satisfied with what I am doing?" I said, "Yes, Lord," and He showed me many that I could have rescued. Oh, how I did weep to think I had disobeyed until He had to chastise me. It is awful to see people going to torment. Pray that these people will accept holiness and that I will be a soul winner for God and always do the Lord's will.—Sarah York.

Still On the Lord's Side

WHEELWRIGHT, Ky.—We are still on the Lord's side, trying to hold up the blood-stained banner of our Lord and Savior. We are especially glad for our good pastor, Brother Ed Cox. He has been with us only a short time, but has certainly been an uplift to our souls. He has been feeding us of that spiritual food of which we were sorely in need. We find it a pleasure to work with a man like Brother Cox. We are anticipating a revival in the near future and sincerely desire the prayers of all that the Lord will stir up this place as never before and give us an abundance of souls for our labor. There are so many plodding the downward road to destruction and we would like to reach out and put our arms about them and draw them into the fold of God, but we realize that is not within our power. We must win them by shining the light of God across their pathway. We know that Satan has their eyes blinded by the dazzle and sparkle of this world and they are running to and fro, seeking pleasure with ever a longing in their souls, something that the glimmer of this world cannot satisfy, but our duty and our heart's desire is to shine the light that God has given us upon their pathway and point them to the Lamb of God, for He alone is the satisfying portion.

Dear brothers and sisters, we are in great need at Wheelwright. Many are dying without God. Truly the harvest is ripe and the laborers are few. Please remember the fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much and we covet your fervent prayers as never before that the Church of God will shine out at Wheelwright and be a soul-saving station for God's glory.—Mrs. J. H. Brock.

Set Apart From This Sinful World

TITUS, Ga.—I am so glad that the Lord saw fit to save me from sin one day. He saved my soul, sanctified me and set me apart from this old sinful world. You know, saints, I do not want to be as the world. Oh, I am so glad of the sweet Holy Ghost that I have. It makes us love everybody; it makes us want to do right. Well, thank the Lord, He has just been

blessing me so much. I know I am getting closer to the Lord and I feel that He has a work for me. Oh, thank the Lord for His good blessings.

Pray for me to obey the Lord and do His will. Oh, I feel His good quickening power right now. I am so glad that my home is a home of prayer. Saints, pray hard for my husband and me to live the life before our little boy, that our lives may be a light to him. Thank the Lord for every one of my brothers and sisters in Christ. Let us all hold on to the Lord, for, dear saints, He is soon coming. Thank God, I am ready if He were to come or call for me. Pray for us.—Mrs. Altha Marelán.

The Lord Is Able to Do Great Things for Us

SANFORD, Fla.—We wish to sound a note of praise through the columns of the Evangel for the many good things the Lord is doing for us. The Orlando district fellowship meeting convened here in Sanford October 6. The large building was filled to its capacity and the Lord certainly was with us. The congregational singing was enjoyed by all, also the special singing by the various quartets was enjoyable. After this we heard a wonderful message by Brother R. R. Holland, pastor of Cocoa, Fla. This was a great soul-stirring message and surely we all see the need of taking advantage of every opportunity to work for God. A mission offering of \$10.15 was taken as an offering to the district convention. We have a loyal group of pastors on the Orlando district and we thank the Lord for our district overseer, Brother Paul Taylor. We are looking forward to the greatest revival that has ever been known on this district, and the pastors of the eleven churches which are on the district seem to be stirred with the fire of the Holy Ghost to work for the spiritual part of the Church of God. The Lord is able to do great things for us. Pray for the work here at Sanford, for the harvest certainly is white and we have much to do.—C. D. Harris, 4th and Holly Ave.

He Means Much to Me

MADISON, Fla.—I praise my dear Lord for His many blessings to me. He has supplied my every need and healed me many times.

Just last week I took a severe pain in my body. It lasted three days or longer. I laid the Evangel on my body and asked the Lord to heal me and He did. Praise His name. I can't praise Him enough; He means so much to me. Praise His name.—Mrs. Rosa Shaw, Rt. A.

The biggest thing in life is living, not just breathing, but in the broader and truer sense living to make the world a better place in which to live.

My Sermonette

FLORENCE SCHUMAKER

"How is it that ye do not understand?" Mark 8:21.

"How is it that ye do not understand?" When we look back upon our earlier spiritual knowledge and compare it with our present knowledge, we are amazed and wonder why we could not have arrived at our present understanding years ago.

The secret of our slow understanding is found in John 8:43. Jesus said, "Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word." You did not hear. Simple, isn't it? That's what Jesus said. You thought that you wanted to hear. You read this and that; you went here and there, always realizing that there was a gleam you had not sighted, until finally, one day you met someone who did understand, someone who had listened, someone who had arrived. You watched their lives rather than their words. You then found that you had been traveling afar off. You had had no one to guide you and you hadn't waited on Him enough for His guidance. You forgot that "no man cometh to the Father except the Holy Spirit draw him." You did not know what the Holy Spirit was. You forgot the time when God so graciously met you in your youth and came down and instantly took away the thing that was troubling you, and you knew that you were free. You forgot, or never even thought, to wait on Him for His fullness. You had never even heard of His fullness. It was as if a veil were over your understanding. You had not heard His Word. The sight in your eyes had not come past the stage of seeing men as trees walking. You heard Him not because you are not of God.

O beloved, let us be sincere with Him with whom we have to do, remembering "when ye shall search for me with all your heart ye shall find me." There are numerous instances on record of people actually being baptized with the Holy Ghost right at their bedsides, who didn't know what was happening to them until years afterward when they met someone who had a similar experience and who understood. God had met a hungry heart far above its anticipation or understanding. God makes no mistakes. He is continually watching for hungry, empty hearts who not only think that they want more of Him but who really desire to know Him above all else. Then the

understanding comes, and not until then. He is looking for people who hear Him, for hearing they will understand, and He will heal them.

"Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my words."

*"Lord, we hear thy gentle call,
'Come follow me, follow me.'
And we gladly give our all
To follow thee, follow thee;
All our doubts, and fear, and sin,
All of self—what we have been;
Home, and country, kith and kin,
To follow thee, follow thee."*

Revival

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.—A six weeks' revival was held by Evangelist G. R. Morris and party. His messages were given out with power and inspira-

tion. The power of God fell every night. This town surely is stirred. The tent would not near hold the crowd. We had the Lord's supper and feet washing. We had three other churches with us. We now are moving in a nice building for the winter, hoping to have a new church by spring. Nine have been saved, ten sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, one reclaimed, twelve baptized in water and seven added to the church. All the saints are reclaimed and on the mountain top for God. A sister who could not walk in years was healed instantly and walked up and down the aisles of the tent praising God. The eyes of the crowd were opened. Seven doctors of this town had given her up. Pray for the work here.—Mina Pack, clerk.

Note: This report was delayed on account of being misplaced in the Editor's files.

The Church of God On the Air

LaGrange, Ga., 1240 Kc., LaGrange. Each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m., E.S.T. Vance Perkins, pastor.

Y.P.E., Marion, Va., over station WOPI. Each Sunday morning from 6:30-7:00 o'clock. Jesse R. Burkett, pastor.

Rev. H. L. Whittington and the LeFevre Trio, Atlanta, Ga., over station WGST. Each Sunday morning from 8:00-8:30 E.S.T.

Each Sunday afternoon from 3:00-4:00, E.S.T., over station WAGA.

Atlantic City, N. J., over WFPG, 1450 Kc. Each Sunday afternoon from 2:00-2:30 o'clock. Carl J. Hughes, pastor.

Augusta, Ga., over WGAC, Augusta, Ga. Each Saturday at 6:45 a. m. Each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m. Rev. Odus Smith, pastor, and Langley, S. C., Church of God on same station.

Illinois, over WEBQ, Harrisburg, Ill. Each Saturday morning from 10:00-10:30, H. O. Harris, overseer of Illinois.

Valdosta, Ga., over station WGOV, Valdosta. Each Sunday afternoon from 3:30-4:00 o'clock, E.S.T. L. P. Shaw, pastor.

North and West Knoxville Churches over station WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., 990 on your dial. Each Saturday morning from 10:05-10:30. G. W. Hodges and J. D. Wilson, pastors.

Carmi, Ill., over station WEBQ, Harrisburg, Ill. Each Friday morning from 10:00-10:30. J. L. Summers, pastor.

Pratt City, Ala., over station WSGN, Birmingham, 6100 Kc. Daily broadcast from church 4:00-4:30 p. m. Sunday broadcast 3:30-4:00 p. m. C. T. Douglas and A. M. Phillips in charge.

Benton, Ill. Each Monday from 10:00-10:30 a. m., over WEBQ, Harrisburg.

Warren, Ohio, district over station WRRN, 1400 Kc. Each Friday from 10:30-11:00 p. m. J. A. Lewis, pastor.

Cincinnati, Ohio, over WCPO, 1230 Kc. Each Sunday night from 9:30-10:00. Cincinnati church band and quartet will be on this broadcast with us every service. R. J. Staats, pastor.

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North Rome, Ga., over station WRGA, Rome, 1500 Kc. Each Monday morning from 10:30-11:00, E.S.T. Linwood Jacobs, pastor.

Vulcan and Delbarton, W. Va., over station WBTH, Williamson, 1400 Kc., 250 watts. Each Sunday from 2:00-3:00 p. m. H. H. Tygart, Vulcan, W. Va., and W. H. Compton, Delbarton, W. Va., pastors.

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., over station WFTL, Ft. Lauderdale, 1410 Kc. Each Sunday at 7:15 p. m. V. B. Ellis, pastor.

Decatur, Ala., over station WMSL, 1400 Kc. Each week day at 9:00 a. m. Each Sunday at 8:00 a. m. Albert Batts, pastor.

North Cleveland, Tenn., over station WBLJ, Dalton, Ga., 1230 Kc. Each Sunday from 1:00-2:00 p. m. Services broadcast direct from the church. F. R. Harrawood, pastor.

Lindale, Ga., over station WRGA, Each Saturday from 10:30-11:00 a. m. E. S. T. H. T. Durden, pastor.

Cedartown, Ga., over station WGAA, Each Sunday from 5:05-5:30 p. m. E. S. T. H. T. Durden, pastor.

Minot, N. Dak., over station KLPM, 1390 Kc. Each Thursday from 5:00-5:15 p. m. Leinuell Johnson, pastor.

Gainesville, Ga., over station WGGG, Gainesville. Each Sunday from 5:30-6:00 p. m. R. O. Calaway, pastor.

Wilmington, N. C., over station WMFD, Wilmington, 1400 Kc. Each Sunday from 5:00-5:15 p. m. V. D. Combs, pastor.

Logan and Mallory, W. Va., districts, over station WLOG, Logan, 1220 Kc. Each Sunday from 3:00-4:00 p. m. C. R. Cook and S. B. McCane, district overseers.

Memphis, Tenn., over station WMPS, Memphis, 1460 Kc., 1000 watts. Each Sunday from 2:00-2:30 p. m. C. J. Hindmon, pastor.

Union, Miss., over station WCOC, Meridian, Miss., 1000 Kc. Each Sunday at 4:30 p. m. C. W. Kendall, pastor.



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